

REPORT NO. CS-311/05648-72

DATE DISTR. 2/ NOVEMBER 1972

COUNTRY SOUTH VIETNAM  
DOI DATE APRIL 1969  
SUBJECT SIGHTING OF TWO U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR IN QUANG TRI  
PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM

ACQ VIETNAM, SAIGON (2 OCTOBER 1972)

SOURCE

1. IN LATE APRIL 1969, MEMBERS OF THE K14TH INFANTRY  
BATTALION SAW TWO U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR (POW'S) IN THE WESTERN

APPROVED FOR RELEASE  
Date 20 AUG 1975

(classification)		(dissem controls)		
STATE	DIA	NSA	CRS	(for field Distribution see final paragraph)

*Source provided no information on the  
date of capture of the POW's. No sighted  
information as reported is not sufficient  
for identification purposes.*

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OF THE "TAM BOI" AREA, QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM.  
TWO WERE ESCORTED BY A SQUAD OF SIX TO  
NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY (NVA) GUARDS ARMED WITH AK-47 ASSAULT  
RIFLES. THEY HAD BEEN CAPTURED IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE AND WERE  
ESCORTED TO NORTH VIETNAM VIA LACS.

2. THE POW'S WERE OBSERVED BY [REDACTED] AND  
[REDACTED] FOR ABOUT THREE MINUTES FROM A DISTANCE  
OF TWO METERS. THEY WERE CAUCASIAN, LOOKED HEALTHY, WALKED  
NATURALLY, AND WERE NOT TIED. THEY WORE U.S. BLACK-LEATHER,  
HIGH-TOPPED MILITARY SHOES, G.I. MILITARY TROUSERS WITH TWO FLAP  
POCKETS ON EACH AND AN NVA REGULATION LONG-SLEEVED, OLIVE-DRAB  
JACKET.

3. ACCORDING TO THE NVA GUARDS, ONE POW WAS 18 YEARS OLD,  
MARRIED, AND HAD A PICTURE OF HIS WIFE AND CHILD. HE WAS ABOUT  
1.8 METERS TALL, WEIGHED ABOUT 60 KILOS, SLENDER, HAD AUBURN  
HAIR, A ROSY COMPLEXION, AND A HIGH NOSE. THE OTHER POW WAS ABOUT  
30 YEARS OLD, 1.65 METERS TALL, WEIGHED ABOUT 70 TO 75 KILOS,  
HAD A RATHER BIG BELLY, A ROSY COMPLEXION, AND MOVED SLOWLY.

[REDACTED] WAS SHOWN THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF POWS AND  
MISSING IN ACTION (MIA) IN SOUTHEAST ASIA BUT HE COULD NOT  
IDENTIFY ANY OF THEM).

4. [REDACTED]: THIS REPORT WAS GIVEN TO THE  
JOINT PERSONNEL RECOVERY CENTER FOR EVALUATION, AND THEY FOUND  
INFORMATION WHICH REASONABLY CORRELATES WITH THE ABOVE.

LISTINGS OF POW'S/MIA'S INDICATE THAT ABOUT EIGHT PERSONS  
WERE CAPTURED IN THE THUA THIEN AREA DURING APPROXIMATELY THE  
[REDACTED] PERIOD).

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